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Statement** submitted by the International Federation of Non-Government Organizations for the Prevention of Drug and Substance Abuse a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council

The Secretary-General has received the following statement, which is circulated in accordance with paragraphs 36 and 37 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 of 25 July 1996.

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IFNGO — ***INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE PREVENTION OF DRUG AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE***

Date of Foundation	:	*8th November, 1981*
President	:	*Major General Police (Rtd) Drs Putera Astaman (Indonesia)*
Hon. Secretary	:	*Dato Haji Mustapha Ma (Malaysia)*
Headquarters	:	*8 Jalan Ledang, 50480 KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia*

Summary of IFNGO Activities and Achievements for the year 1996 :-

1. *IFNGO membership increased to 54 members representing 32 countries (Asia - 32 members, ANZO - 4 members, Africa 4 members, Europe 7 members, The Americas 4 members and Regional & International 3 members).*

2. *PEMADAM Malaysia successfully organised and hosted the first of the second cycle of IFNGO ASEAN NGOs Workshop – The 7th Workshop in Kuala Lumpur 1st - 3rd July, 1996 with the IDADAIT theme "Social and Economic Impact of Drug Abuse and Control in ASEAN". All 7 member nations of ASEAN were represented. Vietnam the newest member was represented by 10 delegates and 2 observers. The 7th IFNGO ASEAN NGOs Workshop report was published to commenmorate the 20th Anniversary of PEMADAM Malaysia.*

3. *The 16th IFNGO Conference, Jakarta, Indonesia 2nd – 6th December, 1996 was organized and hosted by BERSAMA Indonesia. The conference lived up to the conference theme of "Government and Non Government Organizations Together – Empowering Society for Drug Free Human Resources". IFNGO made a posthumous Award of Honour to the late First Lady of Indonesia Almarhumah Hajah Ibu Siti Hartimah Soeharto.*

4. *IFNGO promoted the convening of the 2nd SAARC N.G.O.s Workshop in Colombo, Sri Lanka May, 1996. The SAARC N.G.O. for the Prevention of Drug and Substance Abuse has registered a regional entity by the name of SAFNGO (South Asian Federation of N.G.O.s).*

5. *IFNGO Secretariat Assisted UNDCP to collate the NGO FACT Sheet for the printing of UNDCP Directory of N.G.O.s.*

6. *Disseminated embargoed advanced copies of the IDADAIT Messages (International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking) 26th June, 1996 from the Secretary General of U.N. and the Executive Director of UNDCP to all IFNGO Affiliates and promoted IDADAIT Campaigns and Activities amongst 54 members in 32 countries around the globe.*

7. *1996 saw the successful completion of the Joint Project by UNDCP-ILO-IFNGO-CDR CSM's Asia Pacific Regional Training Programme on Addiction Rehabilitation. Apart from the successful training courses at national and regional levels, the training of trainers, the programme also succeeded in developing an Addiction Rehabilitation Training Kit.*

8. *IFNGO assisted in the promotion and establishment of the ASPAC NGO (Asia – Pacific Non government Organization Committee on Drug and Substance Abuse Prevention) on 9th November, 1996 at Bangkok, Thailand.*

9. *IFNGO and PEMADAM Malaysia launched their respective Homepages on Internet on 2nd November, 1996 :- IFNGO – http :// mm serve. com/drugs/ifngo , and PEMADAM Malaysia http ://mm serve. com/drugs/pemadam. IFNGO FOUNDATION's homepage is listed at - http :// www megallen. com/*

10. *IFNGO Bulletin – highlighted the problem of MDMA (3,4 – methylenedioxy - N methylamphetamine) – "Estacy" Pills in the November 1996 issue.*

11. *In June, 1995 IFNGO compiled and published through courtesy of PEMADAM Malaysia Recommendations of the 1st – 6th IFNGO ASEAN N.G.O.s Workshops 1990 - 1995.*

12. *UNESCO Paris has upgraded IFNGO from "mutual information category of relations with UNESCO (Category C) to "NGO in Operational Relations with UNESCO" vide Director General of UNESCO's letter reference DG/16.2/8.081 of 25th November, 1996.*

13. *IFNGO together with IOGT, PRIDE, Worldview Foundation and ICAA established in Geneva, Switzerland on 24th April 1996 the International Consortium of N.G.O.s. for the Global Initiative for Primary Prevention of Substance Abuse.*

14. *IFNGO and its affiliates have adopted on-going programmes to promote the U.N. Decade Against Drug Abuse 1991 – 2000. A GLOBAL RESPONSE TO A GLOBAL CHALLENGE: To protect health, ensure safety and improve the quality of life everywhere.*

15. *IFNGO's Founding member PEMADAM Malaysia has offered to host the Third International Private Sectors Conference on Drugs in the Workplace and the Community - Jointly sponsored by UNDCP and ILO at Sunway Lagoon Resort Hotel, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia 4th 6th October, 1997.*

16. *The Hon. Secretary of IFNGO Dato Haji Mustapha Ma was the sole N.G.O. recipient of the International Award of Honour presented by I.N.E.O.A. – International Narcotics Enforcement Officers Association at San Diego, U.S.A. on November 18th, 1996.*

International Federation of Non-Government Organizations for the Prevention of Drug and Substance Abuse.
(IFNGO)

1	Headquarters	:	Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia)
2.	Date of Foundation	:	8th November, 1981
3.	Officers	:	1996 – 1998
	President	:	Major General (Rtd) Drs. Putera Astaman (Indonesia)
	President Elect	:	Justice (Rtd) Amnuay Intuputi (Thailand)
	1st Vice President:		Prof. Ian W. Webster (Australia)
	2nd Vice President:		Mr. Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury (Bangladesh)
	Hon Secretary	:	Dato Haji Mustapha Ma (Malaysia)
	Hon. Treasurer	:	Mr. Stephen Goh (Singapore)

4. Aims :-

The aims and objectives of IFNGO are :-

i) The development of collaborative and fruitful interactions among non-government organizations regionally and internationally to identify the needs of service and implement diversified programmes to prevent and control drug abuse with the ultimate aim to achieve a DRUG FREE SOCIETY in our countries

ii) The development of a shared monitoring mechanism and communication system for the collection and collation of drug abuse information and research data for efficient analysis and dissemination to members and other concerned organizations.

iii) The mobilization of necessary resources needed to support IFNGO's activities to eradicate the problems of drug and substance abuse.

iv) The attainment of concerted action among member countries and peoples in the fight against drug and substance abuse and the promotion of communication and education for its prevention, reduction and rehabilitation.

v) The organizing of regional and international conferences, seminars, workshops etc to further the understanding of and resolve the problems of drug and substance abuse.

vi) The promotion of cooperation and collaboration between Government Organizations and Non-Government Organizations at National, Regional and International levels.

5. Geographical extension :-

IFNGO has 54 members from the following 32 countries :- Australia, Bangladesh, Barbados, Brunei Darussalam, Canada, Egypt, Fiji, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Macao, Malaysia, Malta, Mauritius, Nepal, New Zealand, Pakistan, Philippines, Portugal, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Thailand & U.S.A.

6. The constitutive bodies of the International Federation of Non-Government Organizations for the Prevention of Drug and Substances Abuse are :-

i) The Biennial General Meeting
ii) The Management Board
iii) The Council of Advisors
iv) The Secretariat

(i) The Biennial General Meeting is the highest authority of the organization which is composed of all its members and meets every alternate year. It decides on general programme and overall activities of the organisation : elects the Management Board; sets up standing or ad-hoc committees; decides on amendments to the constitution.

ii) The Management Board runs the organization between Biennial General Meetings, in accordance with the latter's directives; meet at least twice a year, one of which shall be at the time of the Biennial General Meeting; appoints advisors; decides on admission of members;

iii) The Council of Advisors comprises of elected Past-President of the International Federation of Non-Government Organizations for the Prevention of Drug and Substance Abuse who are eligible to attend all meetings and advise the Management Board;

iv) The Secretariat is the administrative and co-ordinating body of the organization, headed by the Hon. Secretary, under the supervision of the President. The Hon. Secretary takes initiatives to develop the organization and the achievement of its aims in accordance with the decisions of the organization. The Hon. Secretary with the approval of the

7. Main Activities

i) Organises Annual and Biennial International Conferences of IFNGO. 16 IFNGO Conferences have been held 1979 – 1996. The 17th IFNGO Conference will be held in Thailand, 1998.

ii) Organises Annual IFNGO – ASEAN N.G.O.s Workshops. 7 IFNGO ASEAN NGOs Workshops have been held 1990 – 1996. The 8th IFNGO ASEAN N.G.O.s Workshop will be held in Singapore 19th – 22nd November, 1997.

iii) In collaboration with UNDCP-ILO & NCDR USM Malaysia organised the Regional Manpower Development Courses on Addiction Rehabilitation and Aftercare 1991 1992. On 18th February, 1994 the joint Project Document for the Regional Training Programme on addiction Rehabilitation (Asia & the Pacific) was signed in Kuala Lumpur.
The programme conducted staff training and programme development consultation. The focus was on socio-vocational needs of recovering addicts, relapse prevention, social re-integration, family and community involvement, income-generating activities and viable employment.

The Programme also provided :

1. Standardized introductory Addiction Rehabilitation Course at the regional level.
2. Integrated training and programme development tools.
3. Follow-up training course at the national level.
4. Earned assistance for programme that show progress; and
5. Intensive, sustained training of highly selected trainers

a) Manpower development courses for volunteer health workers and paramedics in prevention and control of alcohol and drug abuses, e.g. Uniformed Youth Groups, Red Cross/Crescent, St. John's Ambulance Brigade, Boy Scouts, Girl Guide, etc.

- Advocacy for alcohol and drug-free situations;
- Educational programmes, such as peer group education;
- Alternative alcohol and drug-free cultural celebration;
- Treatment & rehabilitation activities
- Campaigns and public awareness programmes.

b) Support to PSA's (Prevention of Substance Abuse) Main activities :

- Dissemination of WHO's publications on psychoactive substance dependence;
- Research and development;
- Promotion of life free from psychoactive abuse;
- Treatment and rehabilitation;
- Support to the countries' National Drug Demand Reduction Plans

V Publication

a) Annual IFNGO Conference reports, Conference nos. 1 – 16.
b) IFNGO Conference Recommendations, Editions 1 – 6.
c) IFNGO Bulletin.
d) IFNGO ASEAN NGOs Workshop reports Nos. 1 – 7.
e) "How to plan Handbook – A Basic Guide to Planning Drug Abuse Prevention Activities"
f) Malay Translation of C.M.O. (Comprehensive Multidisciplinary Outline of Future Activities in Drug Abuse Prevention and Control)
g) IFNGO Constitution.
h) IFNGO FOUNDATION Brochure.

8. Relations with the United Nations and its specialised Agencies and other intergovernmental organizations.

i) IFNGO has Category II Consultative Status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council-UN-ECOSOC
ii) IFNGO is in working Relations with the World Health Organization W.H.O.
iii) IFNGO is admitted to I.L.O.'s Special list of Non-Government Organizations.
iv) IFNGO works closely with the Drug Advisory Programme of Colombo Plan Bureau.
v) IFNGO ASEAN NGOs in formal affiliation with Association of South East Asian Nations – ASEAN
vi) IFNGO is N.G.O. in Operational Relations with UNESCO.

9. Relations with other-International non-government organization

i) IFNGO is a member of U.N. N.G.O. Committee on Narcotics and Substance Abuse, New York
ii) IFNGO is a member of the Vienna NGO Committee on Narcotic Drugs at the U.N office in Vienna.
iii) IFNGO is a member of C.O.N.G.O. – Conference of Non-Government Organizations in Consultative status with the U.N. ECOSOC
iv) IFNGO is a member of ASPAC-N.G.O. – Asia – Pacific Committee on Drug and Substance Abuse Prevention in Bangkok, Thailand.
v) IFNGO participates in programmes organized by U.N. N.G.O. Section, Department of Public Information.

10. Relations with UNESCO and contribution to the implementation of its objectives

i) IFNGO as an International N.G.O. in Operational Relations with UNESCO works closely with UNESCO's Preventive Education against Drug and Substance Abuse Unit of the Division of Education for the quality of life as well as the Director of Division for the Renovation of Curricula (ED/ECS) and the Director of the Section of Preventive Education (ED/ECS/PRE)

ii) Through collaborative projects or joint programmes of work, it is hoped that IFNGO can contribute to the implementation of UNESCO's objective.

iii) The Hon. Secretary IFNGO Participated in UNESCO's First Regional Consultation ofN.G.O.s in Asia and the Pacific which was held in Hanoi, Vietnam 7th 11th March, 1994.

iv) Members of IFNGO participated in the PEDDRO Project – Drug Prevention Education of UNESCO

v) IFNGO has proposed to UNESCO to embark on a Companion Project on Preventive Education in Drug Abuse to complement the UNDCP-ILO-IFNGO-CDR, USM Joint Project on the Asia Pacific Training Programme on Addiction Rehabilitation.

vi) IFNGO was admitted to mutual information Category of relations with UNESCO (Category C) by letter reference DG/16.4/A.10 of 9th June, 1993

vii) IFNGO was admitted to "N.G.O. in Operational Relations with UNESCO" vide Director General of UNESCO's letter reference DG/16.2/P.081 of 25th November, 1996.

viii)IFNGO hopes that the Executive Board of UNESCO will upgrade its relationship with IFNGO to category B. IFNGO is an International and an umbrella organization representing National N.G.O.s in 32 countries in all 5 continents of the world.

ix) IFNGO has been funded by UNDCP – United Nations International Drug Control Programme, to conduct the Joint Project on the Asia Pacific Regional Training